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IN Consideration that a vast Number of Brave-fellows, as well as Beaus, Blockheads, Li-

bertines and Scoundrels, have ſacrificed their Lives in the Service of their Country, during the long Continuance of our Succeſsful War; inſomuch, that the encreaſe of Ladies, and the decreaſe of Men at Home, have occaſion'd, at preſent, ſuch an unhappy Scarcity of Good Husbands, that many a fair Damſel who has Charms ſufficient to entitle her to the Embraces of an honeſt worſhipful Clod-pate, or a *Jery Blackaker*, muſt now be forc'd to take up with ſome Mechannick Whipper-ſnapper, who wants a Wif's Portion to furniſh his Shop with the Gallimanfries that he deals in; or a Cut-finger'd Clerk who wants Mony to buy Chambers in an Inn of Court or Chancery; and if her Ambition be ſo great as not to content her ſelf with this ſort of Vaſſalage, ſhe may

may wait beyond the Years of Female Patience, till her Maidenhead grows as Mouldy as an old Cubboard Cruſt, that has been piſs'd upon by the Mice, and lain long neglected by the whole Family.

It is therefore agreed on by a certain Society of Honeſt Gentlemen, who are Well-wiſhers to the Fair Sex, that a Thouſand *TICKETS* ſhall be delivered out at Five Shillings each, for the Benefit of all ſingle Ladies, Widows, Maids, or Thornbacks, who are willing to venture ſo ſmall a Trifle by way of Lottery, for the fair Chance of winning a Good Husband, who ſhall not only be able to Keep her well, and Kiſs her roundly; but ſhall alſo ſettle ſuch a Jointure upon her, that in caſe he dies, ſhall be ſufficient to recommend

commend her to a Second Hu
band.

That thoſe who happen to b
Fortunate may fare the better, th
Number of the Prizes are limite
to Fifty five, ſo that to one Bene
fit, there will be Nineteen Blanks
yet ſuch Care is taken by the wor
thy Eſquire *Bickerſtaff*, the Pro
jector hereof, for the general Sa
tisfaction of all the fair Adventu
rers, that thoſe who have the miſ
fortune to draw Blanks, ſhall hav
more than the value of their Mo
ny return'd them behind the Cur
tain, by ſuch able Perſons as the
Undertakers have appointed fo
that Purpoſe, and if they after
wards Complain upon Oath that
they have not been treated
according to Expectation, that
then

then their Mony ſhall be refunded without any Deduction.

The higheſt Prize is a Modern Whig, of Two Thouſand Pounds *per Annum*: The whole Eſtate rais'd in a few Years, by his own Induſtry, out of a ſmall Poſt in the Government of Two hundred Pounds Sallery, and no viſible Perquiſites. He is Eagle-Ey'd, has a promiſing Noſe, Two Butter-Teeth ſticking out before, is very ſtrong in the Loins, has broad-ſhoulders, keeps his Coach, and hopes to be ſecur'd in his Eſtate the next Seſſions, among other honeſt Gentlemen, by an Act of Indemnity.

Secondly, There are two Prizes, One a Devout Atheiſt, in Stature little higher than a Nine-pin. The

other a preciſe Occaſional Conformiſt, almoſt as tall as a Country May-pole, worth a Thouſand a Year, each, of their own getting. The Eſtate of the firſt being very honeſtly acquired by a ſeaſonable Imbezlement of Naval Stores. The Wealth of the latter being as lawfully got, by telling the Publick Mony over a Grid-Iron; alſo both at preſent being in good Imployments, but ſtand ſo tottering that they are willing to reſign upon a reaſonable Conſideration, between this, and the next meeting of a New Parliament.

Thirdly, There are three *Tom Doubles*, or *Notorious Turn-Coats*, each worth Five Hundred Pounds *per Annum*, beſides Good Places in the *Houſhold*. They are complete Courtiers, and rarely well qualified

qualified to oblige the Female Sex, can *Cringe* and *Complement* like a *French Dancing-Master*, Lie and Flatter like a Stateſman's Minion, *Cheat* and *Cozen* like a *Newcaſtle* Lawyer, and are juſt now tacking about to the *High Church*, in order to ſtand firm in the good Opinion of the next M.....y, ſo that they have great hopes, notwithſtanding a *Change*, that they ſhall keep their places.

4*ly*, There are four very devout *Cityzens*, all of the *Low-Church*, and very much inclining to a *Commonwealth*, computed to be worth in Stock and Reputation, Five thouſand Pounds each, and as times go, are all honeſt Men, pay very punctually when they cannot help it, take abundance of Care when they Buy to have enough

for their Mony, and seldom Sell but they outwit their *Customers*; are all *Coffee-house* Politicians, True Friends to the Government, have lately drawn their Effects out of the *Bank*, are constant *Communicants* both at *Church* and *Meeting*, have a great veneration for the Reverend Mr. *H...d..y*, and roar heartily against Doctor *S..l.*

Fifthly, There are Five Pantile Guides, or Soul Physicians; very famous for removing all Obstructions in the tender *Consciences* of Maid Servants, and for curing Deafness in Old Women by Syrenging their ears with the squert of Predestination, are zealous dispensers of the Doctrine of Resistance, most faithfully collected from the *Reviews* and *Observators*, have every one a *Call* to an *Ally-Synagogue*, worth

worth more *per Annum* than a fat Benefice; they need buy no Victuals they are so well feasted by the Good Wives when their Husbands are out of the Way, and are never without a Box of Sweetmeats, and a *Closet* ful of *Cordials*, which come *Gratis* from the Old Women, by the Administration of which in due Season, they comfort up those Young Dames who apply for *Consolation* under the Pricks of *Conscience*.

Sixthly, There are six Land-Surveyers belonging to the Custom-house, each having a Sallery of Two hundred pounds *per Annum*, besides the advantage of connivance Fees, the cleanly conveyance of *French* Wines, seisure of Prohibited Goods dipping Birdlime Fingers into Packs and Parcels,

Parcels, boldly begging when they cannot borrow, and many other profitable Perquiſites, that make their Places half as good as a Commiſſioners; beſides the Proſpect of riſing in time to the Surveyerſhip of the Warehouſe.

Seventhly, There are Seven Trading *Quakers*, all having their Country-Houſes at *Tatnam High-Croſs*, among the reſt that famous Friend and follower of the Light *Aminadab*, who lately oblig'd the *World* with his wonderful *Viſion*; to the great Satisfaction of all thoſe who were declar'd Enemies to *Falſe Brethren*; as to their Worth they keep it to themſelves, becauſe they ſay, to diſcover that would be vain boaſting; but by their outſide Apparrel the inſide of their Houſes, their Coſtly Wines, and their

their plentiful *Tables*, we may reasonably Gueſs their *Riches* to be great, their humdrum *Sanctity* to be all a *Cheat*, their God to be *Mammon*, their *Religion* to be *Craft*, and their private *Devotion* inſtead of faſting and praying, to be feaſting with their Frindes, and drinking Luſtily.

Eightly, There are Eight young ſpruce *Beauiſh* non fighting *Officers*, often to be ſeen at *Man's Coffee-houſe*, Loaded with more Gold Lace than ever was worn by a thriving *Hoſteſs* upon her *Red Petticoat*, all *Ladies* Sons, of a fine *Barbary* Shape, *Dance* admirably, *Sing* Charmingly, ſpeak *French* fluently, and are the *Darlings* of their *Mothers*; have large Pay for little Service, are kept at home by the Intereſt of their Friends, to oblige

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the *Ladies*, and hate the thoughts of going on Board *Ships*, becauſe their nice *Noſes* are unable to endure the ſmell of *Tar*, or the ſtink of *Bely* Water; beſides they are as much afraid of dawbing their *Cloaths* as they are of ventering their *Carcaſes*.

Ninthly, There are three *Curſitors*, three *Attorneys*, and three *Chancery Clerks*, all Gentlemen of Equal Fortune, Singular probity, and modeſty anſwerable to their Imployment; they are very underſtanding in the Quirks and *Quidites* both of *Law* and *Equity*, and are as well Skill'd in fleecing a Litigious *Cheat*, as a Country *Swain* in the Art of Sheep-ſhearing or a *Welſh* Mountaineer in cliping the *Beards* and *Tails* of his *Goats*, to make riding *Perriwigs* for the

Cambrian

Cambrian Shentlemen, all nine very ſound and very amorous, not one of them having taken neither Pill or Portion, ſince they have wiſely forſaken the *Strollers* of the *Town*; to Kiſs their wholeſome *Laundreſſes*.

Tenthly, There are Ten Strapping *Town Bullies*, alias non Commiſſion *Captains*, all of the true *Hibernan* Breed, Huge Bodies, with little Souls, meer *Buldogs* at a *Petty-Coat*, and very deſperate where there is no danger; Gentlemen of admirable Floquence, who never addreſs themſelves to a fair Lady, but they have the Art of gracing every Six Words of their Courtſhip, with a Rhetorical *Bull*; or an Emphatical *Blunder*, and are ſo wounderful Baſhful, and ſo miſtakenly Conſcious of their

own infirmities, that they never ſpeak Senſe, but they have the modeſty to bluſh at their own Impudence, they all wear Twiſted *Whigs* for the ſame purpoſe, as the *Ladies* do Kiſſing Strings, that any body who Fancies them, may take faſt hold, and *Smuggle* 'em till their Ears Crack; Lac'd Hats, and black *Ribbons* round the Handles of their *Swords*, they Conſtantly wear as Badges of their imployments, in which they are ſo indruſtrious that they will unfurbelow a *Punk*; build a *Sconce* bilk, a *Coach Cog* a Die, *Pick*, a *Drunkards*, *Pocket*, Beg Steal, Borrow, or do any thing that is honourable rather than want *Bread*, or uſe Scandalous means to get it, ſo that what ever *Lady* has the fortune to draw any of them for a Hasband muſt

muſt undoubtedly be happy according to her wiſhes.

Tickets will be deliver'd out after the 20*th* of this Month, at the Houſe of Mrs. *Bawdycut*, a *Mid-wife*, at the Sign of the *Cradle* near the *Mews-Gate*.

At the Black Womans *Toy-ſhop*, under St. *Dunſtan's* Church.

At the Lodgings of Mrs. *Pintail* a *Mantua-maker*, near the great Meeting *Houſe*, in *Bartholow-mew-Cloſe*.

And at the Shop of the Widow *Hugwell*, a Famous *Cony-Wooll-Cutter*, at the Sign of the three *Tuzzy Muzzies* in *Budge Row*.

And will be certainly drawn as ſoon

ſoon as full within the tatter'd Caſe of *Daniel Drum* Cuſhion's *Meeting-Houſe*, in *Rogue Lane*, near *Lincoln's Inn fields*; which will be cleared of the Rubbiſh, and by that time put into a Readineſs for the ſame purpoſe.

N. B. If any *High-Church* Ladies, ſhould think it inconſiſtent with the honour of their Principles to ſtep within the Walls of ſuch an unſanct fi'd *Synagogue*; they are deſi 'd to take Notice that they may ſtand without ſide and peep in at the Windows; to ſee fair play the Glaſs being already taken down by the ſpecial Command of our Sovereign Lords the People.

FINIS.